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A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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Name: Marcia Daoudi

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Topic: Accountable Care Organization

Comment: to Board members. Medicare should remain a government program. Medicare should be about health care and not profit. Traditional Medicare is a doctor patient relationship without middlemen. Reach or any ACO invites profit-seeking middlemen to "manage" care for seniors and people with disabilities, allowing companies to keep up to 40% of what they don't spend on care as overhead & profit. Virtually any type of company can be a Direct Contracting/REACH middleman, including commercial insurance companies, private equity investment firms, and other Wall Street profiteers. It really is time to stop privatizing Medicare. Enough harm has been done by "medicare" advantage programs.

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